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SUBJECT: CAR ELIGIBILITY FOR GENERALIZED PREFERENCES

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1. RE PARA 2 REFTTEL B: ACCORDING TO REPRESENTATIVE FOR MOBIL INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS, COMPANY PROVIDED GOCAR WITH DOCUMENTATION OF ASSETS ON OCTOBER 15, 1974. ACCORDING TO MOBIL, THEY HAVE HEARD NOTHING FROM GOCAR SINCE THEN. MOBIL REP WAS UNABLE TO PROVIDE FIGURE AS TO VALUE OF ASSETS SUBMITTED TO GOCAR.

2. TEXACO HAS NOT RPT NOT YET PROVIDED DOCUMENTATION OF ASSETS TO GOCAR, BUT PLANS TO DO SO WITHIN NEXT TWO WEEKS. TEXACO REP SAID THAT CLAIMS WILL BE CLOSE TO DOLLARS 1.5 MILLION.

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3. TEXACO REP SAID THAT ASSETS IN CAR ARE OWNED BY TEXACO AFRICA LIMITED, A CANADIAN COMPANY WHICH IS ITSELF ONE-HUNDRED PERCENT OWNED BY U.S. INTERESTS. MOBIL REP SAID THAT COMPANY'S CAR ASSETS ARE OWNED BY MOBIL OIL DE L'AFRIQUE EQUATORIALE WHICH IS ALSO ONE-HUNDRED PERCENT OWNED BY U.S. INTERESTS.

4. IN VIEW LENGTHY DELAY IN NEGOTIATIONS APPARENTLY CAUSED BY COMPANIES'SLOWNESS IN FILING NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION WITH GOCAR, DEPARTMENT PROPOSING PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATION THAT GOCAR TAKING "APPROPRIATE STEPS" TOWARD COMPENSATION OF NATIONALIZED ASSETS AND,CONSEQUENTLY, IS ELIGIBLE FOR GENERALIZED PREFERENCES.

5. SINCE TRADE LEGISLATION OBLIGATES DEPARTMENT TO REMAIN ABREAST OF COMPENSATION NEGOTIATIONS, EMBASSY MAY WISH DISCUSS ISSUE WITH LOCAL COMPANY REPS AND WITH GOCAR. INGERSOLL

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